

AMERICA'S CASH PAYMENTS TO IRAN

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on National Security and International Trade and Finance concluded a hearing to examine terror financing risks of America's \$1.7 billion cash payments to Iran, including S. 2452, to prohibit the use of funds to make payments to Iran relating to the settlement of claims brought before the Iran-United States Claims Tribunal until Iran has paid certain compensatory damages awarded to United States persons by United States courts, after receiving testimony from Michael B. Mukasey, former Attorney General, Eric Edelman, Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments, and Suzanne Maloney, The Brookings Institution, all of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 3346, to authorize the programs of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3183, to prohibit the circumvention of control measures used by Internet ticket sellers to ensure equitable consumer access to tickets for any given event, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3097, to establish the SelectUSA program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 4755, to inspire women to enter the aerospace field, including science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, through mentorship and outreach; and

H.R. 4742, to authorize the National Science Foundation to support entrepreneurial programs for women.

FWS MITIGATION POLICY OVERSIGHT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Water, and Wildlife con-

cluded an oversight hearing to examine the proposed revisions to the Fish and Wildlife Service mitigation policy, after receiving testimony from Michael J. Bean, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior; Jamison E. Colburn, Penn State University, University Park, Pennsylvania; Joshua Kindred, Alaska Oil and Gas Association, Anchorage; and Ryan Yates, National Endangered Species Act Reform Coalition, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

An original bill entitled, "Miner's Protection Act of 2016"; and

An original bill entitled, "Retirement and Enhancement Savings Act of 2016".

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2953, to promote patient-centered care and accountability at the Indian Health Service, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3234, to amend the Native American Business Development, Trade Promotion, and Tourism Act of 2000, the Buy Indian Act, the Indian Trader Act, and the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to provide industry and economic development opportunities to Indian communities, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 3261, to establish a business incubators program within the Department of the Interior to promote economic development in Indian reservation communities.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 25 public bills, H.R.6091–6115; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 158–159; and H. Res. 880–881 were introduced.

Pages H5798–H5801

Additional Cosponsors:

Pages H5801–02

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 5995, to strike the sunset on certain provisions relating to the authorized protest of a task or delivery order under section 4106 of title 41, United States Code (H. Rept. 114–779);

H.R. 2315, to limit the authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States (H. Rept. 114–780);

H. Res. 879, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5931) to provide for the prohibition on cash payments to the Government of Iran, and for other purposes, and waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 114–781); and H.R. 5982, to amend chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, to provide for en bloc consideration in resolutions of disapproval for “midnight rules”, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–782, Part 1). **Page H5798**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Ribble to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5715**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:01 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H5721**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Reverend Clarence A. Williams, Greater Mt. Zion African Methodist Episcopal Church, St. Petersburg, FL. **Page H5722**

Korean War Veterans Memorial Wall of Remembrance Act: The House agreed to take from the Speaker’s table and concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1475, to authorize a Wall of Remembrance as part of the Korean War Veterans Memorial and to allow certain private contributions to fund that Wall of Remembrance. **Page H5741**

Global Anti-Poaching Act: The House agreed to take from the Speaker’s table and concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 2494, to support global anti-poaching efforts, strengthen the capacity of partner countries to counter wildlife trafficking, and designate major wildlife trafficking countries. **Pages H5741–43**

Condemning the Government of Iran’s state-sponsored persecution of its Baha’i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 220, as amended by Representative Royce, condemning the Government of Iran’s state-sponsored persecution of its Baha’i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights. **Pages H5743–45**

GAO Civilian Task and Delivery Order Protest Authority Act of 2016: The House agreed to take from the Speaker’s table and pass H.R. 5995, to strike the sunset on certain provisions relating to the authorized protest of a task or delivery order under section 4106 of title 41, United States Code. **Page H5745**

Require Evaluation before Implementing Executive Wishlists Act: The House passed H.R. 3438, to amend title 5, United States Code, to postpone the effective date of high-impact rules pending judicial review, by a recorded vote of 244 ayes to 180 noes, Roll No. 535. **Pages H5755–64**

Rejected the Thompson (MS) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 182 ayes to 240 noes, Roll No. 534. **Pages H5762–63**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule. **Page H5758**

Rejected:

Cicilline amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 114–777) that sought to exempt from the requirements of the legislation any rule that would reduce the cost of healthcare for people over the age of 65 (by a recorded vote of 189 ayes to 232 noes, Roll No. 532); and **Pages H5758–59, H5760–61**

DelBene amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 114–777) that sought to exempt from the bill’s requirements rules relating to improving the affordability of higher education (by a recorded vote of 184 ayes to 237 noes, Roll No. 533). **Pages H5759–60, H5761**

H. Res. 875, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 3438) and (H.R. 5719) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 239 ayes to 181 noes, Roll No. 525, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 237 yeas to 171 nays, Roll No. 524. **Pages H5732–37**

Iranian Leadership Asset Transparency Act: The House passed H.R. 5461, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees on the estimated total assets under direct or indirect control by certain senior Iranian leaders and other figures, by a yea-and-nay vote of 282 yeas to 143 nays, Roll No. 536. **Pages H5737–38, H5745–55, H5764**

Agreed to:

Poliquin manager’s amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 114–778) that adds Committee on Foreign Affairs to the reporting requirements in the bill; **Page H5753**

Young (IN) amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 114–778) that adds three additional provisions to the bill’s required report on Iranian leadership financial assets; and **Pages H5753–54**

Lance amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 114–778) that adds head of Atomic Energy Organization of Iran to list of Iranian leaders. **Pages H5754–55**

H. Res. 876, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5461) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 247 ayes to 174 noes, Roll No. 527, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 242 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 526.

Pages H5726–31, H5737–38

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Tuesday, September 20th:

Emergency Citrus Disease Response Act of 2016: H.R. 3957, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily allow expensing of certain costs of replanting citrus plants lost by reason of casualty, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 400 yeas to 20 nays, Roll No. 528; Pages H5738–39

Expanding Seniors Receiving Dialysis Choice Act of 2016: H.R. 5659, amended, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to expanding Medicare Advantage coverage for individuals with end-stage renal disease (ESRD), by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 423 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 529; Page H5739

Sustaining Healthcare Integrity and Fair Treatment Act of 2016: H.R. 5713, amended, to provide for the extension of certain long-term care hospital Medicare payment rules, clarify the application of rules on the calculation of hospital length of stay to certain moratorium-excepted long-term care hospitals, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 420 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 530; Pages H5739–40

Providing for the extension of the enforcement instruction on supervision requirements for outpatient therapeutic services in critical access and small rural hospitals through 2016: H.R. 5613, amended, to provide for the extension of the enforcement instruction on supervision requirements for outpatient therapeutic services in critical access and small rural hospitals through 2016, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 420 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 531; Pages H5740–41

Community Counterterrorism Preparedness Act: H.R. 5859, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the major metropolitan area counterterrorism training and exercise grant program, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 395 yeas to 30 nays, Roll No. 537; Pages H5764–65

Amending title 49, United States Code, to include consideration of certain impacts on commercial space launch and reentry activities in a navigable airspace analysis: H.R. 6007, to amend title 49, United States Code, to include consideration of certain impacts on commercial space launch and reentry activities in a navigable airspace analysis, by a

$\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 425 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 538; Pages H5765–66

Directing the Secretary of Transportation to provide to the appropriate committees of Congress advance notice of certain announcements: H.R. 5977, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to provide to the appropriate committees of Congress advance notice of certain announcements, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 424 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 539; Page H5766

Airport Construction and Alteration Reform Act of 2016: H.R. 6014, amended, to direct the Federal Aviation Administration to allow certain construction or alteration of structures by State departments of transportation without requiring an aeronautical study, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 425 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 540; and Pages H5766–67

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To allow the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to enter into reimbursable agreements for certain airport projects.”. Page H5767

Bathrooms Accessible in Every Situation (BATHES) Act: H.R. 5147, amended, to amend title 40, United States Code, to require that male and female restrooms in public buildings be equipped with baby changing facilities, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 389 yeas to 34 nays, Roll No. 541; Pages H5767–68

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend title 40, United States Code, to require restrooms in public buildings to be equipped with baby changing facilities.”. Page H5768

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Mobile Workforce State Income Tax Simplification Act: H.R. 2315, to limit the authority of States to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States; Pages H5768–72

Protection of the Right of Tribes to stop the Export of Cultural and Traditional Patrimony Resolution: H. Con. Res. 122, amended, supporting efforts to stop the theft, illegal possession or sale, transfer, and export of tribal cultural items of American Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians in the United States and internationally; Pages H5772–74

Strengthening the Department of Homeland Security Secure Mail Initiative Act: H.R. 4712, amended, to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to provide for an option under the Secure Mail Initiative under which a person to whom a document is sent under that initiative may require that

the United States Postal Service obtain a signature from that person in order to deliver the document;

Pages H5774–76

Improving Small Business Cyber Security Act of 2016: H.R. 5064, amended, to amend the Small Business Act to allow small business development centers to assist and advise small business concerns on relevant cyber security matters; **Pages H5776–79**

Stability and Democracy for Ukraine Act: H.R. 5094, amended, to contain, reverse, and deter Russian aggression in Ukraine, to assist Ukraine's democratic transition; and **Pages H5782–87**

Global Development Lab Act: H.R. 3924, amended, to establish in the United States Agency for International Development an entity to be known as the United States Global Development Lab.

Pages H5787–89

Nicaraguan Investment Conditionality Act (NICA) of 2016: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H.R. 5708, as amended by Representative Royce, to oppose loans at international financial institutions for the Government of Nicaragua unless the Government of Nicaragua is taking effective steps to hold free, fair, and transparent elections. **Pages H5779–82**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To oppose loans at international financial institutions for the Government of Nicaragua, other than to address basic human needs or promote democracy, unless the Government of Nicaragua is taking effective steps to hold free, fair, and transparent elections, and for other purposes." **Page H5782**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H5726 ____.

Senate Referral: S. 3076 was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. **Page H5798**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Twelve yea-and-nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5735–36, H5736–37, H5737, H5737–38, H5738–39, H5739, H5739–40, H5740–41, H5760–61, H5761, H5763, H5763–64, H5764, H5764–65, H5765–66, H5766, H5767 and H5767–68. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FIFTEEN YEARS AFTER 9–11: THE STATE OF THE FIGHT AGAINST ISLAMIC TERRORISM

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "15 Years after 9–11: The State of the Fight Against Islamic Terrorism". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SEAPOWERS AND PROJECTION FORCES IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces held a hearing entitled "Seapower and Projection Forces in the South China Sea". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

RESTORING THE TRUST FOR FAMILIES AND WORKING-AGE AMERICANS

Committee on the Budget: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Restoring the Trust for Families and Working-Age Americans". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SUPPLANTING THE LAW AND LOCAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY THROUGH REGULATORY FIAT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education held a hearing entitled "Supplanting the Law and Local Education Authority Through Regulatory Fiat". Testimony was heard from Steve Canavero, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Nevada Department of Education; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee concluded a markup on H.R. 2566, the "Improving Rural Call Quality and Reliability Act of 2016"; H.R. 2669, the "Anti-Spoofing Act of 2016"; H.R. 1192, the "National Diabetes Clinical Care Commission Act"; H.R. 1209, the "Improving Access to Maternity Care Act"; H.R. 1877, the "Mental Health First Aid Act of 2015"; H.R. 2713, the "Title VIII Nursing Workforce Reauthorization Act of 2015"; H.R. 3537, the "Synthetic Drug Control Act of 2015"; and H.R. 4365, the "Protecting Patient Access to Emergency Medications Act of 2016". The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 2669, H.R. 1209, H.R. 1877, H.R. 2713, H.R. 3537, and H.R. 4365. The following bills were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 2566 and H.R. 1192.